

## **BOARD FOR GEOLOGISTS AND GEOPHYSICISTS**

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## May 20, 2005

## **BOARD MEETING**

Board for Geologists and Geophysicists 2535 Capitol Oaks Drive, Third Floor Conference Room Sacramento, CA 95833-2926 Telephone (916) 263-2113

# **Approximate Time**

- **9:30** 1. Call meeting to order (Copelan) (Action)
- **9:31** 2. Roll call to establish quorum (Copelan) (Action)
- **9:33** 3. Public comment on non-agenda items

This time is scheduled to provide the public with an opportunity to speak on non-agenda items. While the Board cannot take action at this time on non-agenda items, it can decide to place an item on the agenda for a future meeting. (If you wish to speak on a specific agenda item, please fill out a card provided for this purpose at the sign-in table and hand it to a member of staff, preferably prior to the meeting. Those wishing to speak on particular agenda items may do so when they are heard by the Board. The Board reserves the right to solicit additional public comment if the need arises for a particular agenda item.)

**9:45** 4. Approval of the minutes of the February 11, 2005 and April 29, 2005 Board meetings (Copelan) (Action)

#### PUBLIC HEARING

- **10:00** 5. Adjourn Meeting to Convene Public Hearing to:
  - amend section 3005, Title 16, Division 29, California Code of Regulations, concerning License Renewal Fees (Copelan) (Possible action)
  - amend section 3005, Title 16, Division 29, California Code of Regulations, concerning ASBOG Fundamentals of Geology Examination Fees (Copelan) (Possible action)
- **10:20** 6. **Reconvene Board Meeting** (Copelan) (Action)
- **10:21** 7. Status Report on the Registered Geophysicist Occupational Analysis (Montez) (Possible action)
- 10:30 8. Consideration of application for licensure as a Certified Hydrogeologist under section 7847 for David Schwartzbart, PG and consideration of application for licensure as a Professional Geologist for William L. Neal, Edmund D. Andrews and Sam Arbuthnot (Copelan) (Possible action)

- **10:35** 9. Examination Committee report (Sweeney) (Possible action)
  - a. Report on March 4, 2005 Licensing Examinations
  - b. Update on national Association of State Boards of Geology (ASBOG) activities
  - Report on Joint Meeting with the Board on April 29, 2005 with recommendation to the Board regarding the California-specific portion of the Professional Geologist licensing examination
- **10:45** 10. Consideration of Examination Committee recommendation on the California-specific portion of the California Professional Geologist licensing examination (Copelan) (Possible action)
- **11:15** 11. Report on proposed new regulations (Sweeney) (Possible action)
  - a. Complaint Disclosure Policy
  - b. Increase in Cite and Fine penalties
- **11:30** 12. Legislative Committee Report (Sweeney) (Possible action)
  - a. Report on GRP 1
  - b. SB 228 and SB 229 (both authored by Senator Figueroa)
  - c. Other Legislative Bills and Issues
- **1:30** 13. Technical Advisory Committee report (Sawyer) (Possible action)
  - a. Report on May 6, 2005 TAC meeting
  - b. Other issues
- **1:45** 14. Executive Officer's report (Sweeney) (Possible action)
  - a. Budget report
  - b. Enforcement report (Dunfield)
  - c. Other informational items
- **2:00** 15. Legal report (Duke) (Possible action)

## **CLOSED SESSION**

# [Pursuant to Government Code §§ 11126(a) and (b) 11126(c)(1), 11126(c)(3) and 11126(e)(1)]

2:10 16. Discussion of personnel matters, examination procedures and results, and pending litigation (as needed) (Copelan) (Possible action)

## **OPEN SESSION**

- 2:25 17. Report on results of Closed Session (Copelan) (Possible action)
- **3:05** 18. Announcements (Copelan) (Possible action)
- **3:15** 19. Adjourn meeting (Copelan) (Action)

## **Lunch Breaks from 12:00 Noon to 1:15 P.M. (approximate)**

# Mission Board for Geologists and Geophysicists

The mission of the Board for Geologists and Geophysicists (Board) is to continuously enhance the quality, value and availability of geological and geophysical services offered to the people of California. The Board was established in 1969 and is part of the Department of Consumer Affairs. As a semiautonomous regulatory agency, the Board sets its own policies, procedures, rules and regulations and operates under the administrative oversight of the Department of Consumer Affairs. The Board is responsible for enforcing the provisions of the Geologist and Geophysicist Act and its regulations (Bus. & Prof. Code sec. 7800 et seq.; Title 16 Calif. Code of Regs. Sec. 3000 et seq.). The Board carries out its responsibilities through examination, licensure and regulation to ensure that geologists and geophysicists are licensed to practice within the standards of the professions.

## **Public Meetings**

The Board regularly holds public meetings to obtain testimony and information from concerned and affected parties and to make decisions after considering the recommendations made by Board Members, Committee Members or by the Executive Officer. The Board will vote only on matters listed on the agenda. Agenda items are numbered for identification purposes only and will not necessarily be considered in the order listed. The Board may also give direction to the Executive Officer on any matter discussed during the meeting.

The Board's meetings are governed by the Bagley-Keene Open Meeting Act. The Board is required to (1) publish an agenda at least ten (10) days in advance of any meeting, (2) describe in the agenda specific items to be transacted or discussed, and (3) refuse to add an item to the agenda without an amended notice that is published ten (10) days prior to the meeting. In addition, the Bagley-Keene Open Meeting Act includes other specific provisions about how meetings are to be announced and conducted.

Board meetings are open to the public and are held in barrier free facilities in accordance with the Americans with Disabilities Act. For additional information, requests, or assistance with any provisions of the Act, please contact the Board Office.

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## **Conduct of Meeting**

If you would like to comment on an item scheduled or to speak during the public comment period, please fill out a "Request to Speak" form and give it to a staff member. Each speaker is limited to a maximum of three minutes. The Chairperson may also set time limits for each speaker at the beginning of a public hearing. You are encouraged to submit written comments and detailed information to the staff. The comments will be distributed to the Board members. Other material presented to the Board, as part of testimony (e.g., photographs, slides, charts, maps, diagrams, etc.) will be made part of the record and must be left with the Executive Officer. Photographs or slides of large exhibits are acceptable. All Board files, exhibits, and agenda material pertaining to items on the agenda will be made part of the record.

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